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SUBJECT: JAPAN CONCLUDES SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION
AGREEMENT WITH ISRAEL

1. SCICOUNS HAS BEEN INFORMED BY DR. MASAO YOSHIKI, CHIEF DIRECTOR OF JAPAN SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF SCIENCE (JSPS), THAT JSPA HAS RECENTLY CONCLUDED AGREEMENT FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION WITH ITS COUNTERPART AGENCY IN ISRAEL, ISRAEL ASSOCIATION FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC RELATIONS. ACCORDING TO YOSHIKI, THIS AGREEMENT REPRESENTS PART OF JAPANESE EFFORT TO DIVERSIFY ITS BILATERAL SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION ACTIVITIES, WHICH UP UNTIL NOW LARGELY CONFINED TO US. JSPS, WHICH IS QUASI-GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY WHICH ADMINISTERS JOINT US-JAPAN SCIENCE PROGRAM FOR JAPAN, IS NEGOTIATING SIMILAR AGREEMENTS WITH POLAND AND WITH FRANCE. YOSHIKI DESCRIBED FRENCH AS ENTHUSIASTIC OVER PROPOSED AGREEMENT.

2. ISRAEL INITIATED DISCUSSIONS WITH JAPAN ON RECENTLY CONCLUDED SCIENCE AGREEMENT SOME TWO YEARS AGO. DELAY IN CONCLUDING AGREEMENT PARTIALLY DUE TO ADMINISTRATIVE FOOT-DRAGGING ON BOTH SIDES, BUT MIGHT ALSO HAVE REFLECTED JAPANESE RELUCTANCE TO
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AGREEMENT CAME AFTER ISRAEL CREATED ORGANIZATION CITED ABOVE SPECIFICALLY TO ADMINISTER JAPANESE AGREEMENT AND SIMILAR AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES. FACT THAT AGREEMENT IS BETWEEN QUASI-GOVERNMENTAL SCIENTIFIC AGENCIES RATHER THAN AT OFFICIAL GOVERNMENTAL LEVEL WAS PROBABLY KEY FACTOR IN ALLEVIATING JAPANESE POLITICAL CONCERN.

3. EMBASSY WAS PROMISTED COPY OF AGREEMENT AND WILL POUCH TO DEPARTMENT AS SOON AS RECEIVED.
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